

The present high price of cotton and the prospective high price of bacon and other needed supplies, is another cautionary signal that there is danger ahead in the continuance by the planter of the production of cotton alone, the exclusion of other farm products. If a full cotton crop is a partial loss, and high prices are not paid for gins, hay, hogs, etc., more needed supplies, and excessive military expenditures, is not the best method of farming.

There is more safety in a more diversified system of cropping. A correspondent of the *Pratt Farmer*, writing to the uncertainty of a cotton system says: "Favorable weather, good crops and good prices cannot be expected always. There will be low and then a bad season, and then a bad crop and then a bad season. But a single single product is not safe, and a single single product is not safe, and this means to me that 'Saunders' and rain. That no people can be permanently prosperous who at all self-sustaining, is accepted as a favorite truth by some of the wisest and most eminent thinkers and writers on political economy, and observation shows that nations to whom who have full, well this suggestion lived until these few are independent and early has yielded than those who believe them."